

Remarks

Reconsideration and allowance of the above identified application is respectfully requested.

In the Office Action dated 5/21/2004 the Examiner rejected pending claims 1 and 2 and objected to claims 3-11. The Office Action and the references cited therein have been carefully considered and the above amendment is presented in an effort to advance prosecution of the application.

The Examiner rejected claims 1 and 2 under 35 USC 102 as anticipated by US Patent 5,021,028 (Kersting et al).

Applicant has amended claim 1 to include the limitations of claim 3 as suggested by the Examiner. Claims 2 and 3 have been canceled and claim 4 has been amended.

Additionally a new Title that is more descriptive is provided.

Thus, it is believed that the rejection of the claims should be withdrawn and that this application is in condition for allowance. Such allowance is respectfully requested.

Any fees or charges due as a result of filing of the present communication may be charged against Deposit Account 04-0525.

Respectfully,


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